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SUBJECT: NATIONAL WAGE NEGOTIATIONS

REF: MEXICO 6960

1. MORE THAN 3,500 STRIKE NOTICES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY  
FEDERAL AND LOCAL CONCILIATION ARBITRATION BOARDS ALL  
ASKING RESPECTIVE EMPLOYERS FOR 35 PERCENT WAGE INCREASE BEFORE  
SEPT. 20, 1974. ORGANIZED LABOR CLAIMS THEIR RIGHT TO  
STRIKE LEGAL UNDER PROVISION OF LABOR CODE WHICH AUTHORIZES  
STRIKES, "TO OBTAIN EQUILIBRIUM BETWEEN DIFFERENT FACTORS  
OF PRODUCTION" REGARDLESS OF EXISTING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING  
AGREEMENTS. CTM HEADQUARTERS IS BUSY ORGANIZING STRIKE.  
CONGRESS OF LABOR SPOKESMAN IS DEMANDING LABOR LEGISLATION  
GUARANTEEING MINIMUM WAGE ADJUSTMENT SCALED TO CONSUMER  
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PRICE INDEX. EMPLOYER ASSOCIATIONS HAVE FORMED JOINT

LAWYER'S COMMITTEE TO PREPARE PROPOSALS COUNTERING  
UNION DEMARCHE WHICH THEY PLAN TO SUBMIT TO GOM.  
HOWEVER, RELIABLE SOURCE SAYS THAT EMPLOYERS NOT ABLE  
AGREE AMONGST THEMSELVES.

2. PRESS REPORTS THAT US BORDER EMPLOYERS BANDING  
TOGETHER TO MOVE TO OPPOSE WAGE INCREASE. WELL KNOWN  
EMPLOYER LABOR LAWYER SAYS SOME AMERICAN FIRMS ON BORDER  
MIGHT BE WILLING ADJUST WAGES JAN. 1, 1975 AFTER US  
MINIMUM BECOMES \$2.10 AN HOUR WHICH THEY SAY WOULD  
COMPETITIVELY HELP THEIR SALES POSITION IN THE US.

3. COMMENT: BOTH LABOR AND MANAGEMENT WILL MANEUVER  
TO STRENGTHEN POSITION WITH GOVERNMENT. PRESIDENCY  
NOT EXPECTED TAKE HARD LINE EITHER WAY OR PRESENT  
UNIQUE SOLUTION. GOM PROBABLY WILL VACILLATE HOPING  
LABOR AND MANAGEMENT WILL REACH ACCORD.  
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